

The European Union – an introduction

10 April 2019 | 16.00-19.30 EEST

PURPOSE

The purpose of this event will be to educate participants in the (voluntary) work of the AAE, how the European Union, and its different institutions, operates. The seminar will include an overview of core EU legislation of relevance to the financial sector, the road from initiative to legislation and how the interaction between the AAE and the EU institutions works. This seminar is crucial to current and future chairpersons and vice-chairs of the AAE committees and working groups. It is also relevant to all members of our committees and helps them to familiarise with EU regulation.

PROGRAMME

16:00-16:30 **Registration and welcome tea/coffee**

16:30-16:35 **Introduction**

Speaker: Esko Kivisaari

Esko will further introduce and overview the seminar programme.

16:35-17:05 **European Union and its core legislation**

Speaker: Esko Kivisaari

Esko will present an overview of the most important EU legislation.

17:05-17:35 **Institutions of the European Union**

Speaker: Ad Kok

Ad will present an overview of the EU institutions and the main AAE contacts within these institutions.

17:35-18:05 **The EU road from initiative to legislation**

Speaker: Falco Valkenburg

Falco will present the standard decision-making procedure used in the European Union, the so-called “Ordinary Legislative Procedure”. The essential characteristic of this procedure is that both the Council of Ministers as well as the European Parliament have a deciding vote in the legislative process, and both institutions may amend a proposal.

18:05-18:30 **Tea/Coffee break**

18:30-19:00 **How and when to talk to EU decision makers?**

Speaker: Esko Kivisaari and Falco Valkenburg

Esko and Falco will explain how and when to interact with the EU decision makers. Not only in Brussels or Strassbourg but also in their constituencies.

19:00-19:25 **Questions and discussions**

19:25-19:30 **Conclusions of the day**

Speaker: Esko Kivisaari

VENUE

InterContinental Sofia
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Bulgaria

PRACTICAL ISSUES

Language

The language of the seminar will be English.

Costs

Participation is free of charge and open to invited participants only. Registration through the AAE website is compulsory.

CPD

You may be allowed to count participation in this EU seminar as CPD, depending on your association's CPD requirements/rules. Proof of participation can be provided on request. Number of CPD point: 2.5.

Organisation

This seminar is organised by the Actuarial Association of Europe (AAE).

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